

House Resolution No. 114

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Grace Carlson, a cherished resident of Clearmont, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of her Eighty-eighth Birthday on December 19, 2003; and

Whereas, on December 19, 1915, on a family farm near Elmo, God brought a special gift to this great state with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Grace, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, Grace Carlson made her formal debut in 1915 along with such notable people as Hollywood actress Ingrid Bergman, Russian-American actor Yul Brynner, jazz singer Billie Holiday, and actor-director George Orson Welles; and

Whereas, an individual who has lived during an era of incredible progress, Grace Carlson was born the same year that Albert Einstein formulated his General Theory of Relativity, D.W. Griffith's movie The Birth of a Nation premiered, and United States Marines landed in Haiti, beginning a twenty-year period of military occupation; and

Whereas, Grace Carlson has been an eyewitness to numerous national and international events, many of which are familiar to others only through the pages of history; and

Whereas, Grace Carlson has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include five treasured children; and

Whereas, at the respectful age of 88, Grace Carlson is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Grace Carlson at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Grace Carlson, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 114, adopted January 20, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker